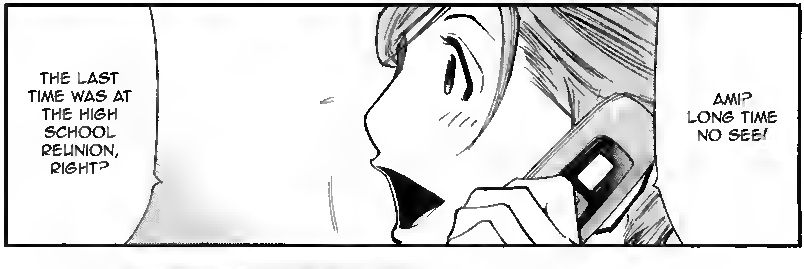
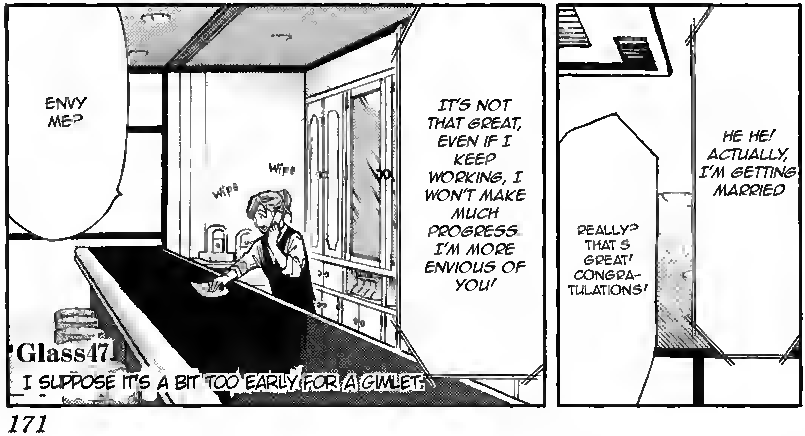



ENVY ME?
Wipe
Wipe
IT'S NOT THAT GREAT, EVEN IF I KEEP WORKING, I WON'T MAKE MUCH PROGRESS. I'M MORE ENVIOUS OF YOU!
REALLY? THAT'S GREAT! CONGRATULATIONS!
HE HE! ACTUALLY, I'M GETTING MARRIED

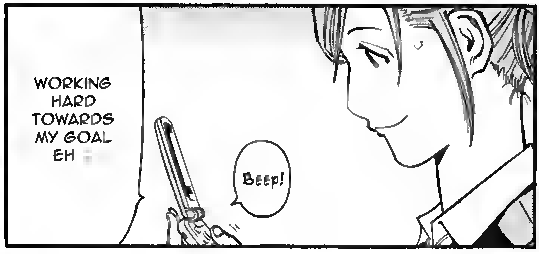
Glass 47
I SUPPOSE IT'S A BIT TOO EARLY FOR A GIMLET.

BECAUSE KYOUKO HAVE THE GOAL OF BECOMING A BARTENDER AND YOU RE WORKING HARD TO ACHIEVE IT!

GOD KNOWS HOW LONG IT'LL TAKE ME TO GET THERE...
Wipe
Wipe
Wipe

YOU THINK I CAN HANDLE IT?
WHAT? YOU WANT ME TO MAKE COCKTAILS AT YOUR WEDDING?

OH YEA, THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO ASK OF YOU, MS. BARTENDER


WORKING HARD TOWARDS MY GOAL EH...
Beep!

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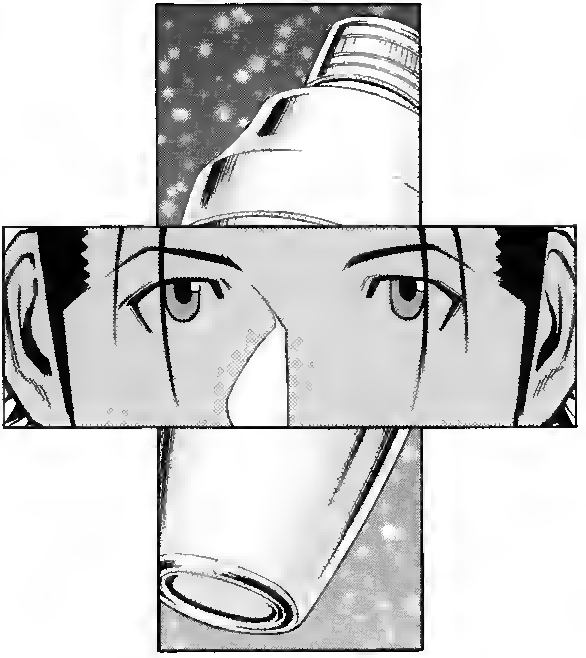
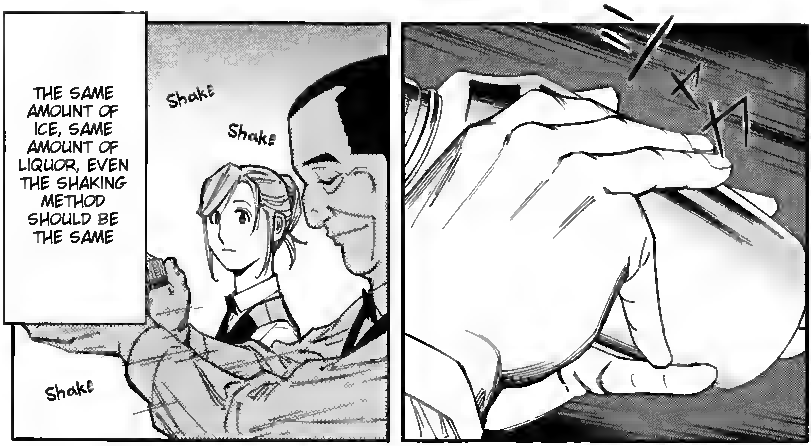
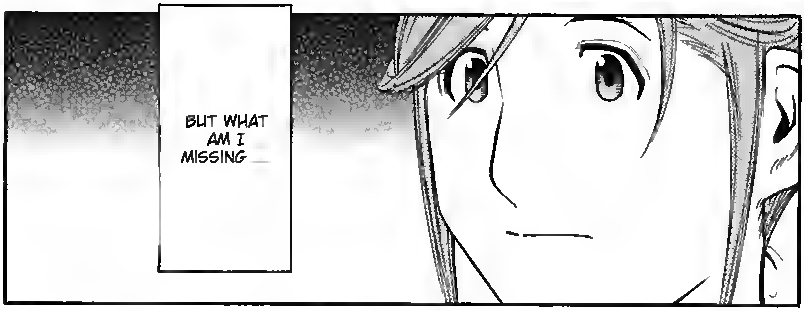


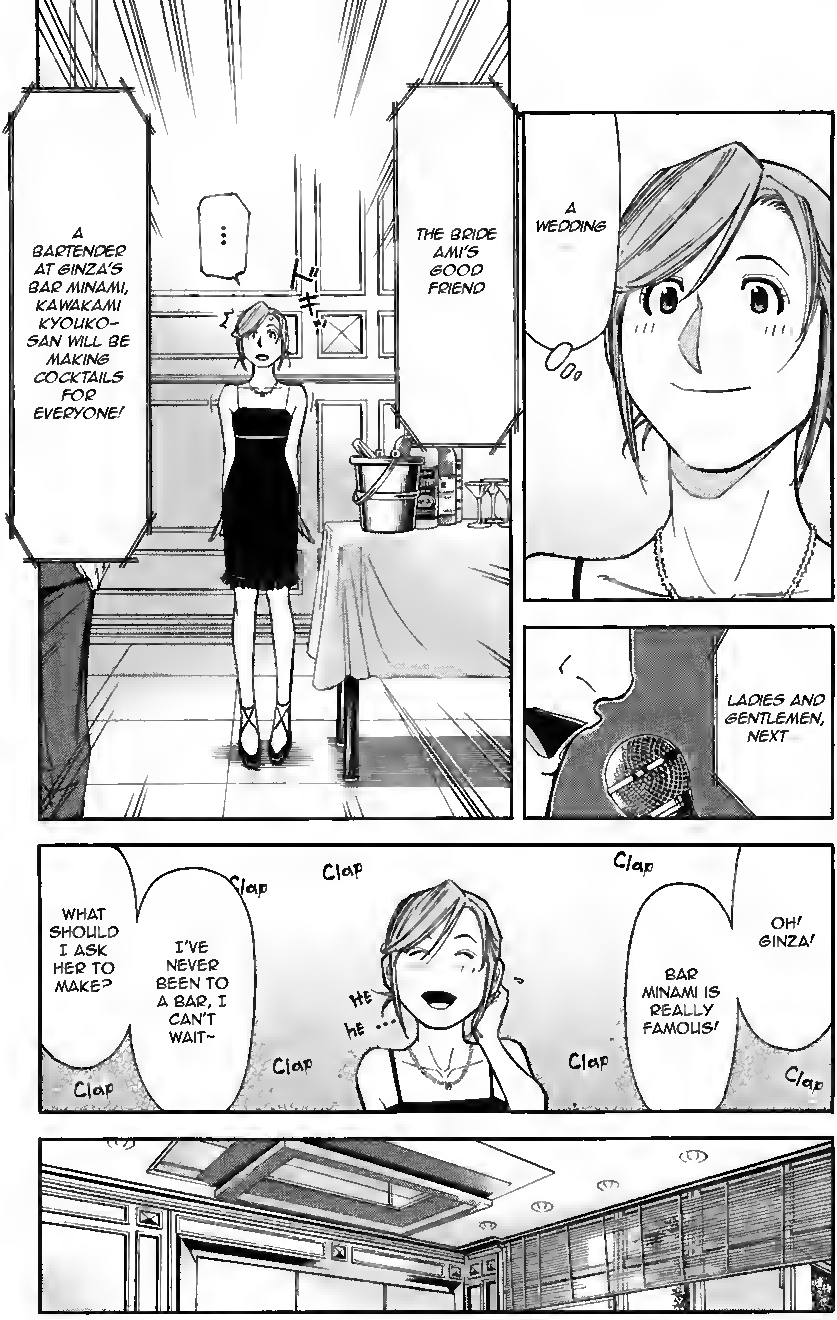
MINAMI
PERHAPS OUR BAR DOES THINGS DIFFERENTLY... AT BAR MINAMI, MARTINI, GIMLET, MANHATTAN, SIDECAR, DAIQUIRI, ETC... ARE ALL MADE BY MINAMI-SAN
OK
I WANT A GIMLET
THE MANAGER GETS TO MIX THEM ONCE IN A WHILE. AS FOR ME, I HAVEN'T EARNED THE RIGHT TO MIX ANY COCKTAILS
ONE GIMLET PLEASE

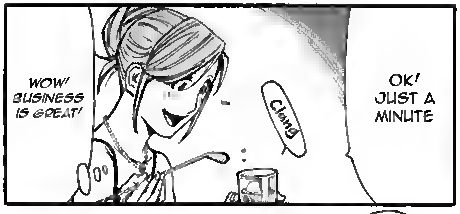




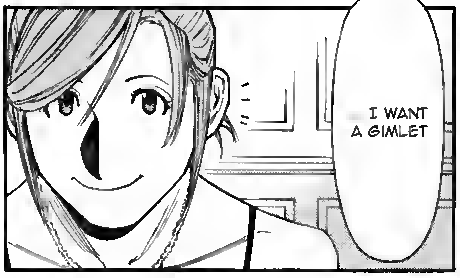
A FEW DAYS LATER

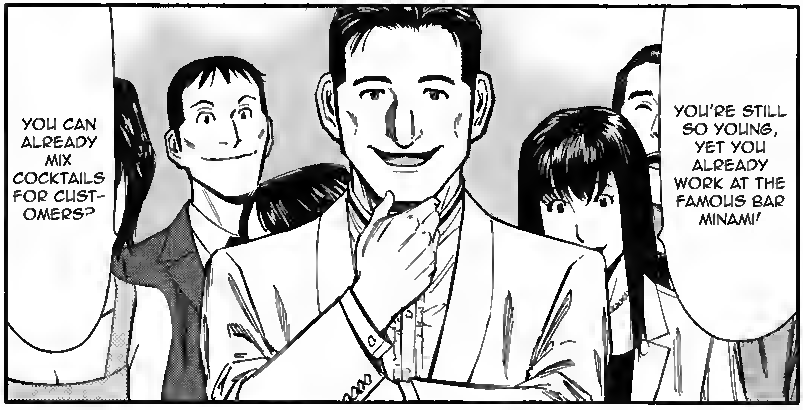
TODAY, I'LL SHOW THEM WHAT I'M CAPABLE OF!

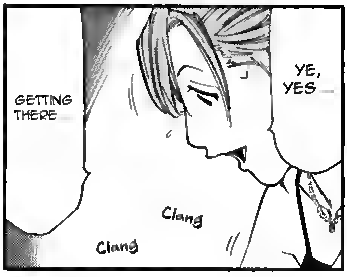

A BARTENDER AT GINZA'S BAR MINAMI, KAWAKAMI KYOUKO-SAN WILL BE MAKING COCKTAILS FOR EVERYONE!
THE BRIDE AMI'S GOOD FRIEND
A WEDDING
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, NEXT
WHAT SHOULD I ASK HER TO MAKE?
Clap
I'VE NEVER BEEN TO A BAR, I CAN'T WAIT~
Clap
Clap
HE HE ...
Clap
Clap
BAR MINAMI IS REALLY FAMOUS!
OH! GINZA!
Clap

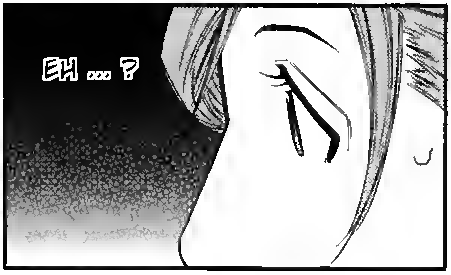

WOW! BUSINESS IS GREAT!
Clang
OK! JUST A MINUTE

I WANT A SPUMONI
GIVE ME CASSIS OOLONG!
I WANT CAMPARI SODA
I WANT A SUZE TONIC

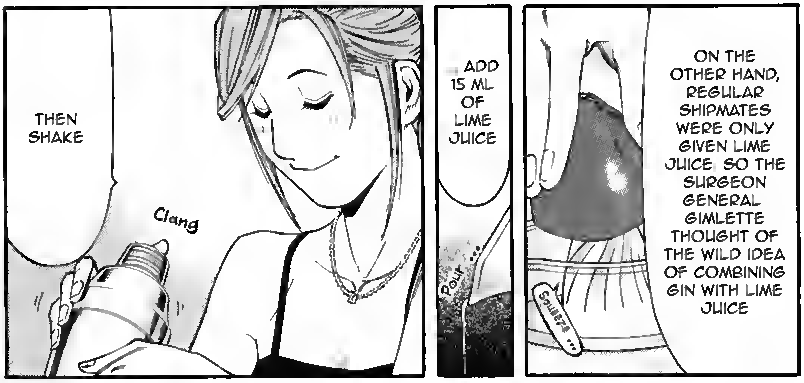

I WANT A GIMLET

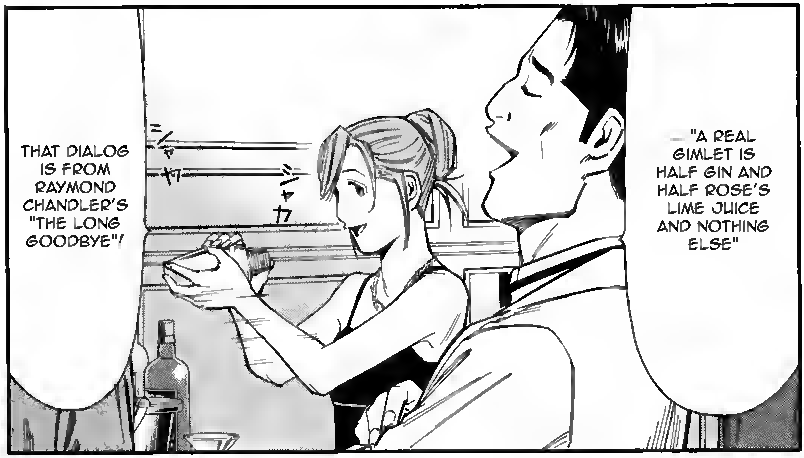

YOU CAN ALREADY MIX COCKTAILS FOR CUST-OMERS?
YOU'RE STILL SO YOUNG, YET YOU ALREADY WORK AT THE FAMOUS BAR MINAMI!


YE, YES...
GETTING THERE...
Clang
Clang


EH ... ?

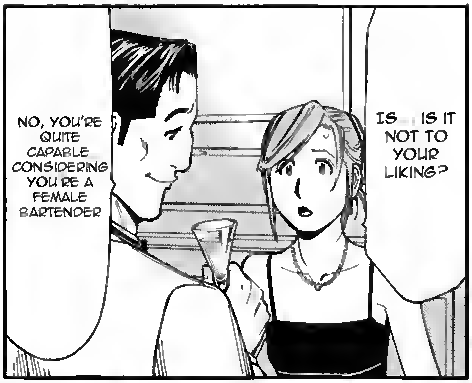
DID YOU KNOW GIMLET WAS FIRST MADE ON A NAVAL CRUISER?
I DO, DURING 1890'S, ENGLAND'S NAVY WOULD PROVIDE GIN TO THE OFFICERS ON BOARD
FIRST, 45 ML OF GIN
BEEFEATER
40
DRY

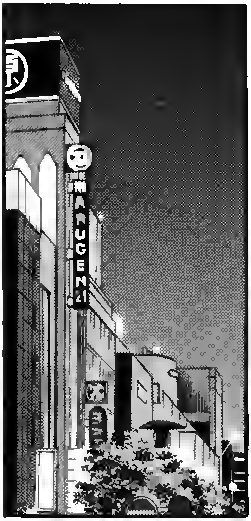

ON THE OTHER HAND, REGULAR SHIPMATES WERE ONLY GIVEN LIME JUICE SO THE SURGEON GENERAL GIMLETTE THOUGHT OF THE WILD IDEA OF COMBINING GIN WITH LIME JUICE
Squeeze
ADD 15 ML OF LIME JUICE
Pour
THEN SHAKE
Clang


"A REAL GIMLET IS HALF GIN AND HALF ROSE'S LIME JUICE AND NOTHING ELSE"
THAT DIALOG IS FROM RAYMOND CHANDLER'S "THE LONG GOODBYE"!

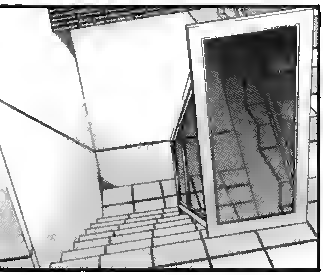
Clang
THIS WAY, IT TASTES SHARPER, AND THE DRINK BECOMES TRUE TO THE NAME GIMLET
RIGHT, BECAUSE OF CHANDLER, GIMLET BECAME A FAMOUS COCKTAIL BUT IF IT WAS MADE THE WAY HE DESCRIBED, IT WOULD BE TOO SWEET!
Pour
YEA, THAT'S WHY RECENTLY, PEOPLE USE FRESH LIME JUICE INSTEAD
Gulp ....
THANK YOU, HERE'S YOUR GIMLET, ENJOY
YOU'RE YOUNG, BUT YOU SURE KNOW A LOT!
.....

BUT IF IT'S CHANDLER, HE WOULD DEFINITELY SAY

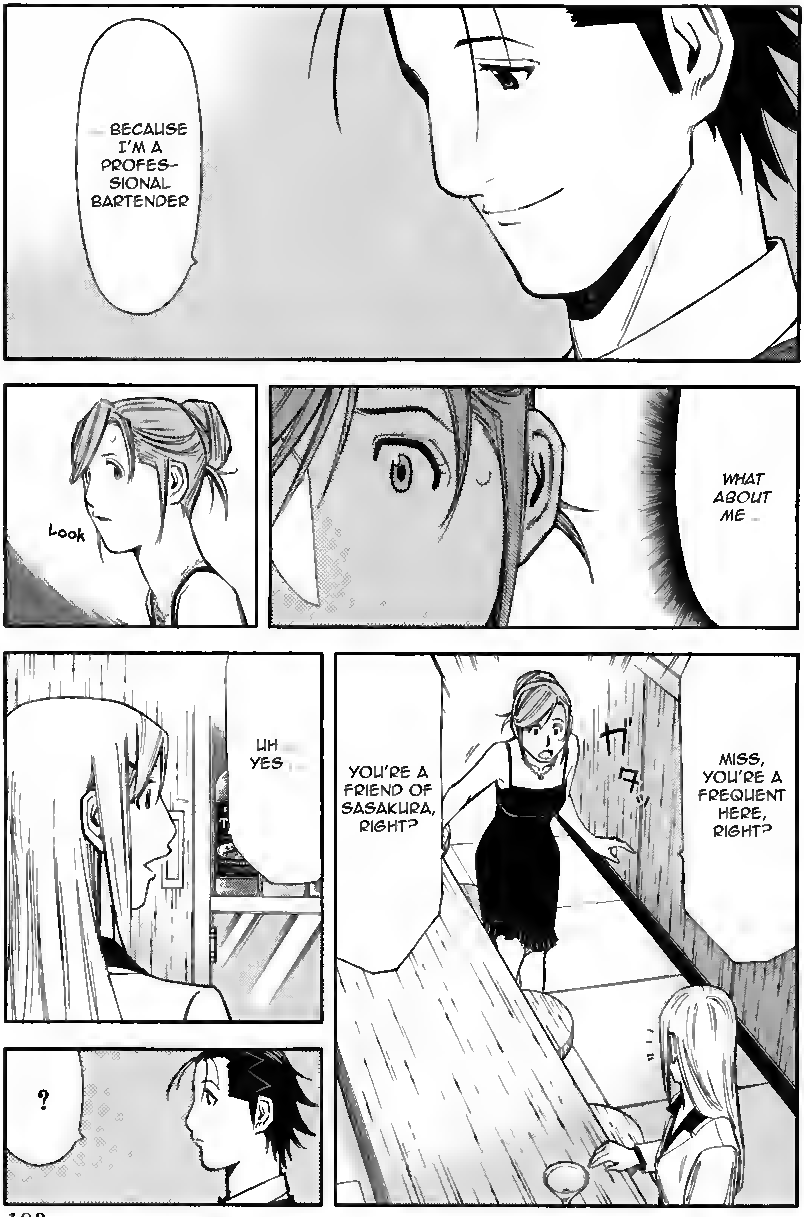

NO, YOU'RE QUITE CAPABLE CONSIDERING YOU'RE A FEMALE BARTENDER
IS... IS IT NOT TO YOUR LIKING?



"I SUPPOSE IT'S A BIT TOO EARLY FOR A GIMLET." ...



"I SUPPOSE IT'S A BIT TOO EARLY FOR A GIMLET"
IT SIMPLY MEANS YOU DON'T HAVE THE SKILLS TO MAKE A GIMLET YET
HOW CAN YOU BE SO SURE?


BECAUSE I'M A PROFES-SIONAL BARTENDER
Look
WHAT ABOUT ME
UH YES
?
YOU'RE A FRIEND OF SASAKURA, RIGHT?
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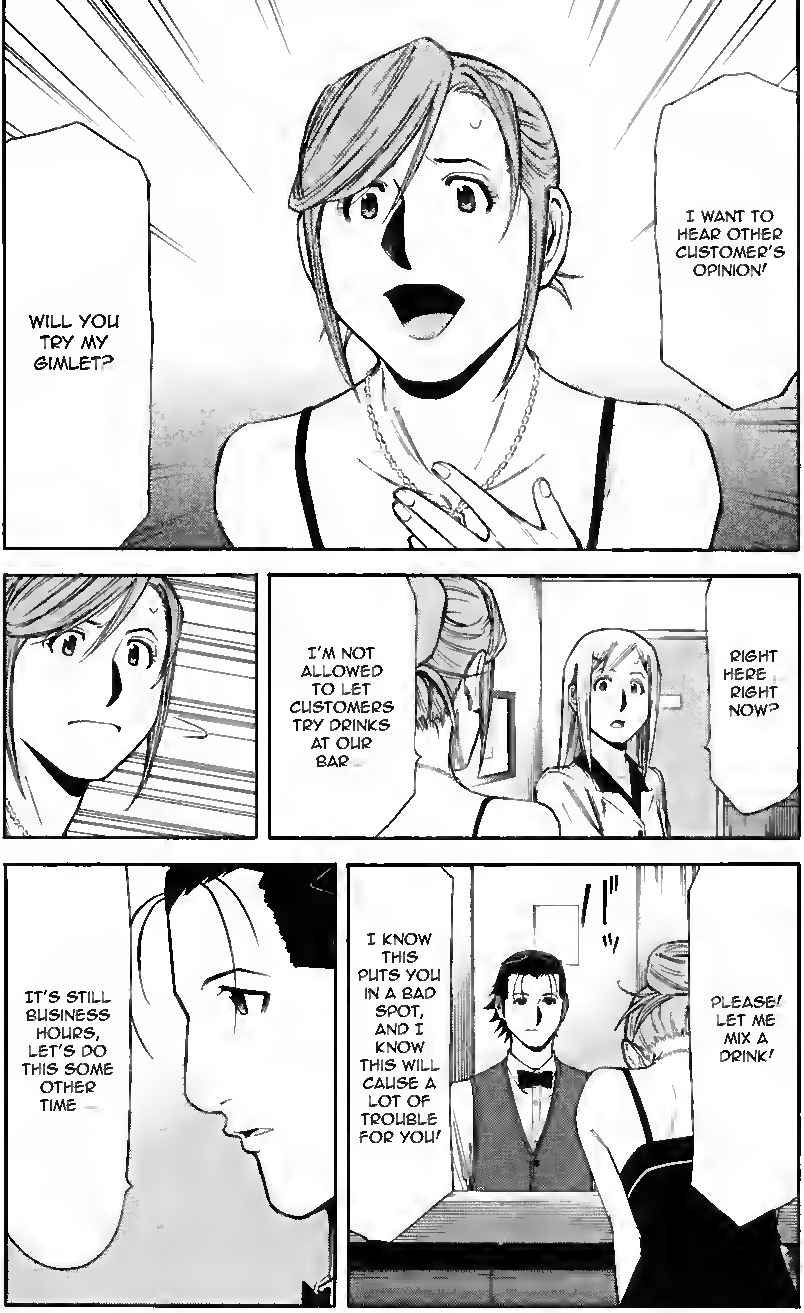
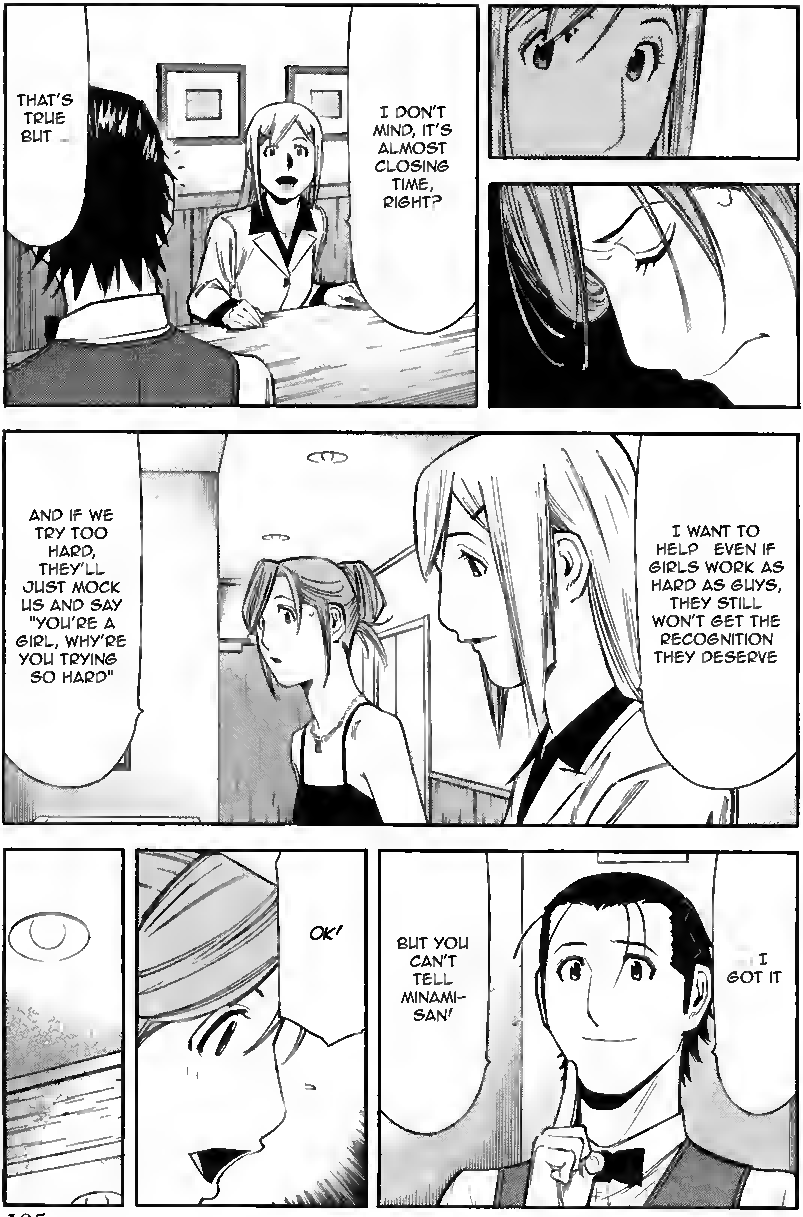
MISS, YOU'RE A FREQUENT HERE, RIGHT?


I WANT TO HEAR OTHER CUSTOMER'S OPINION!
WILL YOU TRY MY GIMLET?
RIGHT HERE, RIGHT NOW?
I'M NOT ALLOWED TO LET CUSTOMERS TRY DRINKS AT OUR BAR...
PLEASE! LET ME MIX A DRINK!
I KNOW THIS PUTS YOU IN A BAD SPOT, AND I KNOW THIS WILL CAUSE A LOT OF TROUBLE FOR YOU!
IT'S STILL BUSINESS HOURS, LET'S DO THIS SOME OTHER TIME...

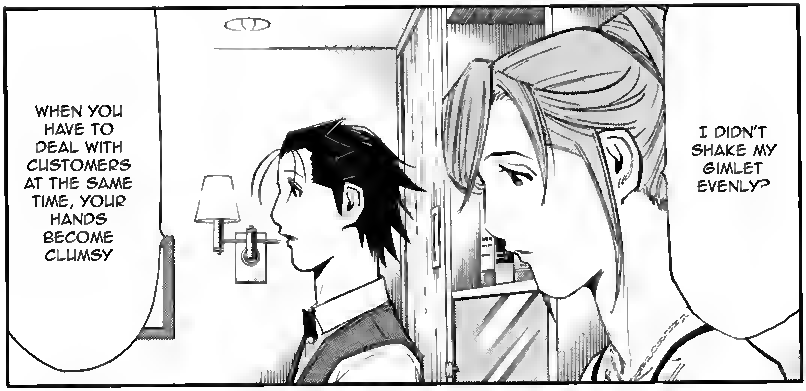

THAT'S TRUE BUT...
I DON'T MIND, IT'S ALMOST CLOSING TIME, RIGHT?
I WANT TO HELP EVEN IF GIRLS WORK AS HARD AS GUYS, THEY STILL WON'T GET THE RECOGNITION THEY DESERVE
AND IF WE TRY TOO HARD, THEY'LL JUST MOCK US AND SAY "YOU'RE A GIRL, WHY'RE YOU TRYING SO HARD"
OK!
BUT YOU CAN'T TELL MINAMI-SAN!
I GOT IT

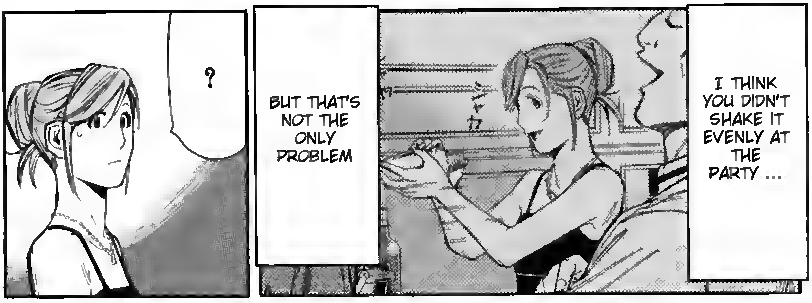
I'LL SHAKE IT THE SAME WAY I DID LAST TIME
Pour ...
PLEASE TELL ME HOW YOU HONESTLY FEEL ABOUT IT
THIS IS MY GIMLET

IT FEELS INCOM-PLETE
HM... IT'S REFRESHING, TASTES GOOD, BUT SEEMS TO BE MISSING SOMETHING
Gulp
AH...
Take!
EXCUSE ME
BUT... WHAT IS IT MISSING...
HEY! THAT'S...
Clang
Pour...

Open
Shake
Shake
.....
!
HOW ABOUT NOW?
Pour ...
THE COCKTAIL WAS MORE TRANS-PARENT EARLIER!
THE COLOR CHANGED!

BUT IT FEELS SMOOTHER THE FLAVOR SLOWLY SEEPS INTO THE TONGUE
IT TASTES TOTALLY DIFFERENT! THE TASTE IS MORE PRONOUNCED!
Gulp
EH?
WHAT, WHAT'S GOING ON!
Gulp
OH, OK
TRY IT
INCREDIBLE ... THERE'S NO WAY I CAN DO THAT ...
USUALLY, IF YOU SHAKE THE COCKTAIL AGAIN, THE TASTE WOULD FALL APART IT SHOULD TASTE WORSE


WHEN YOU HAVE TO DEAL WITH CUSTOMERS AT THE SAME TIME, YOUR HANDS BECOME CLUMSY
I DIDN'T SHAKE MY GIMLET EVENLY?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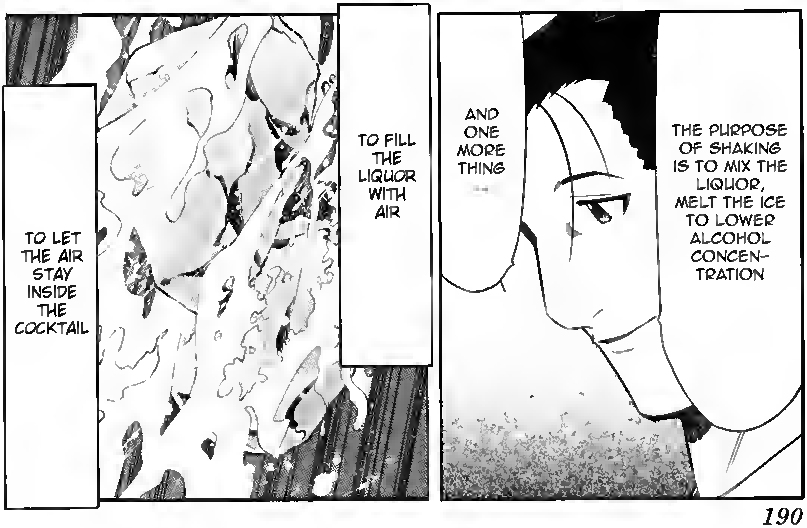
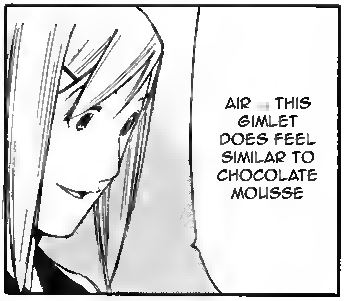
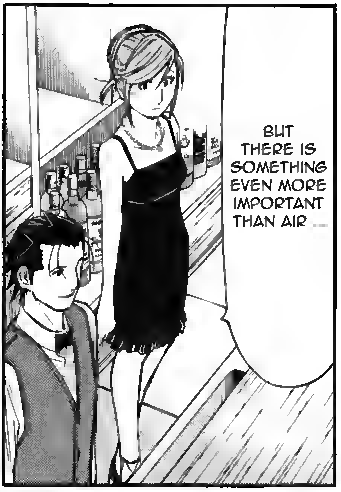
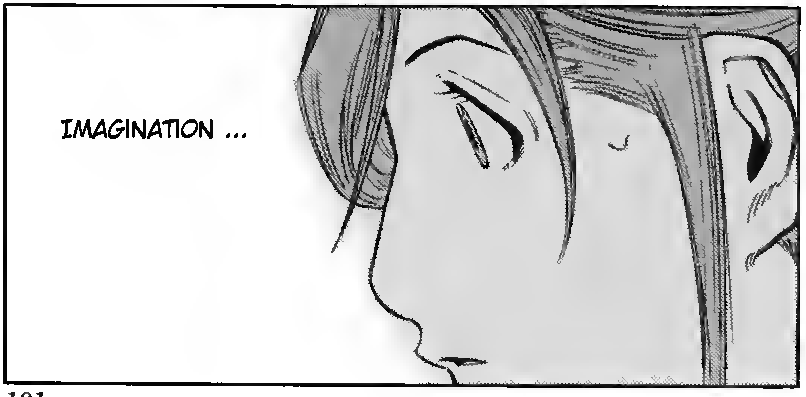
BUT THAT'S NOT THE ONLY PROBLEM
I THINK YOU DIDN'T SHAKE IT EVENLY AT THE PARTY ...


TO LET THE AIR STAY INSIDE THE COCKTAIL
TO FILL THE LIQUOR WITH AIR
AND ONE MORE THING ...
THE PURPOSE OF SHAKING IS TO MIX THE LIQUOR, MELT THE ICE TO LOWER ALCOHOL CONCEN-TRATION

IMAGINATION


AIR ... THIS GIMLET DOES FEEL SIMILAR TO CHOCOLATE MOUSSE


BUT THERE IS SOMETHING EVEN MORE IMPORTANT THAN AIR ...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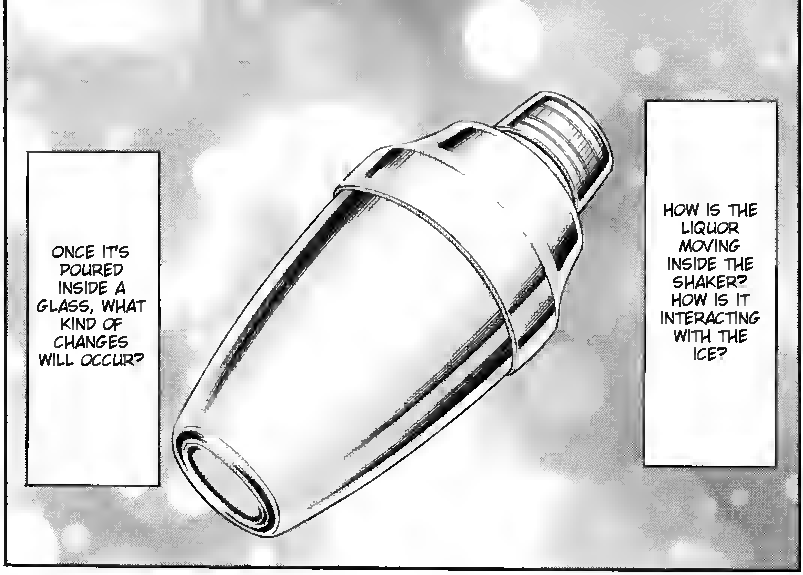
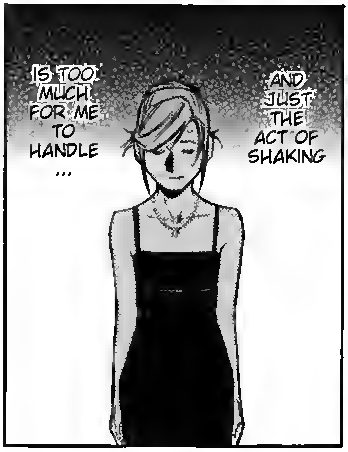
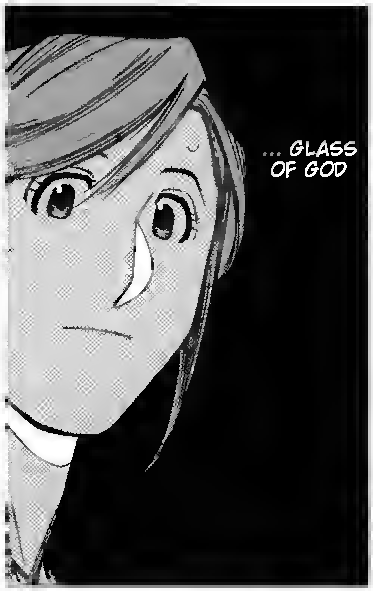
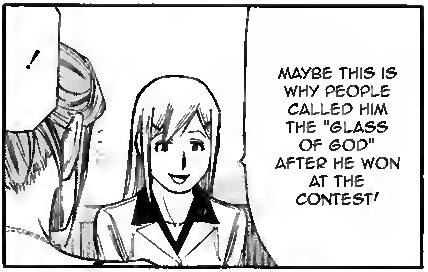

ONCE IT'S POURED INSIDE A GLASS, WHAT KIND OF CHANGES WILL OCCUR?
HOW IS THE LIQUOR MOVING INSIDE THE SHAKER? HOW IS IT INTERACTING WITH THE ICE?

SO SASAKURA THOUGHT ABOUT ALL THIS WHEN HE MIXES!


IS TOO MUCH FOR ME TO HANDLE ...
AND JUST THE ACT OF SHAKING

AND THEN, WHAT HAPPENS WHEN IT TOUCHES THE CUSTOMER'S TONGUE AND MOVES DOWN THEIR THROAT...


... GLASS OF GOD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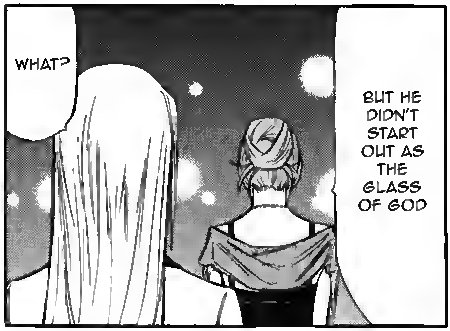
MAYBE THIS IS WHY PEOPLE CALLED HIM THE "GLASS OF GOD" AFTER HE WON AT THE CONTEST!

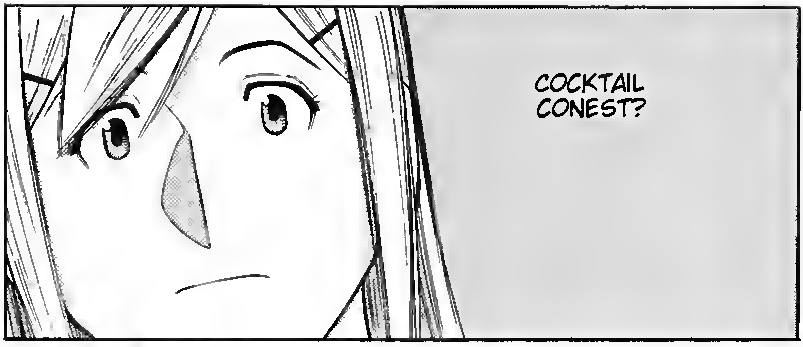
YES
SASAKURA, YOU WON A COCKTAIL CONTEST BEFORE?


WHAT?
BUT HE DIDN'T START OUT AS THE GLASS OF GOD

Stop ...

I ADMIT SASAKURA IS VERY SKILLFUL
M'Sビル
– I KNOW WHAT I'M MISSING NOW

BECAUSE THE GLASS OF GOD WAS CREATED WITH THE CONFIDENCE HE GAINED FROM WINNING AT THE COCKTAIL CONTEST!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